

MEMORANDUM:

RE: Vulcan Coordination problems Concerning Off-Site Issues

From: Steven Kinser *Steven Kinser 11-5-85*

To : Gale Wright

As you are aware there is some concern over issues arising concerning activities of Vulcan Materials Company and associated industry. From time to time individuals who have been involved in the Vulcan issues from the public sector express concern or deliver 'tips' concerning potential hazardous waste problems/practices resulting from activities of Vulcan or associated parties. Often times these alleged activities are reported to occur at a location other than the Vulcan plant site. Management has concern that these reports will fall between the cracks, and well they could. At least there could be some time involved in 'getting' around to investigate' them according to standard priority. Some policy is necessary to insure that EPA is responsive to these reports and maintains visibility in 'getting to the facts' concerning the report. Bill Rice has expressed concern that unless we are responsive on these reports the public who are involved in the Vulcan and in some cases other sites in the general area will have no confidence in EPA credibility on other issues.

In order to attempt to see that each concern is addressed in a short timeframe I have the following recommendations:

- Dave Wagoner*
1. *Bill Rice* should designate one individual to receive all extraneous information on the Vulcan site/area. That is anytime information comes in and the individual receiving it is not planning to address it immediately, because it is not in his or her area of responsibility, it is sent to the individual designated as the Vulcan Coordinator for Accessory Issues. This individual should then either address the problem by requesting more details etc. or pass it on to the appropriate party with the understanding that party will expeditiously address the matter.
  2. If The 'tip' is on the Vulcan property, plant site, and is TECH's responsibility it should be my responsibility to follow up on the tip. If on the other hand if the tip is not on the plant site Dana should be allowed the privilege of following up.
  3. Both the coordinator and Bill Rice should be provided copies of our letter of inquiry *and* on the follow-up.
  4. Once a reply to the letter of inquiry is received it should be evaluated to determine if additional information should be requested or other sources approached or if a field investigation and the level of that investigation is appropriate.

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Dana should probably be the Coordinator for these types since she is our Kansas. Steve will still continue to handle the actual Vulcan site for a while.  
Please return this to Dana after you read unless you object. TX. Dale